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Re: Diamond Alkali Superfund Site
Request for Information - Reichhold Chemicals, Inc.

Dear Mr. Flynn:

I have received your letter, dated July 10, 1996, in which you ask for an extension for answering EPA's Request for Information until August 30, 1996. It was my understanding that your need for an extension was primarily to answer the question which related to the January 10, 1992 explosion at the Reichhold facility located at 400 Doremus Avenue in Newark, New Jersey. You had mentioned that this explosion had led to an extensive amount of litigation which generated a significant amount of material. Thus, extended time was needed to review the many files and documents which may be pertinent in answering this particular question. I originally granted an extension until July 12, 1996 for this purpose.

I will give you an additional extension of time to answer the specific question relating to the January 10, 1992 explosion until Friday, August 2, 1996. However, with respect to the other questions in the Request for Information, I believe that enough time has been provided to you to compile the information needed to answer them. Therefore, please provide the answers to all other questions in the Request for Information by Wednesday, July 24, 1996.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may call me at (212) 637-3141.

Yours truly,

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